



[Time-Traveling With Frederick Law Olmsted](#)



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Inhalt: Gehen Sie mit auf eine Zeitreise in den Süden der USA. Die Erinnerungen dieses Texas-Reisenden Mitte des 19. Jahrhunderts erwecken den Wilden Westen zum Leben und geben einige ungewöhnliche Einblicke in die damalige Zeit. Zusammen mit unseren passenden Hörverständnisübungen sorgt dieser Podcast für einen spannenden und effektiven Unterricht.





Pre-listening

1. True or false? What do you know about Texas? Tick the correct box .

- a) The official languages of the state of Texas are English and Spanish. T F
- b) Texas is the second largest state of the USA. T F
- c) The state's nickname is "The lone star state." T F
- d) Dallas is the most populous city in Texas. T F
- e) Texas joined the USA in 1845. T F
- f) There are more cattle in Texas than people. T F
- g) Texas is the state with most overweight inhabitants. T F
- h) A large number of Germans emigrated to Texas in the 19th century. T F
- i) You are allowed to buy alcohol from the age of 19 in Texas. T F

2. Match the words with their correct definition in the table.

Please note: One of the definitions given does not apply.

- a) mural b) treasure c) Nacogdoches d) drop e) passer-by
- f) to dismay s.o. g) to object to s.th. h) apt to be

A fall	
B a small city in East Texas	
C to make s.o. feel shocked and disappointed	
D likely to be	
E a large picture that has been painted on the wall of a room or building	
F seldom, not often	
G s.o. who is going past s.o.	
H to say that you disagree with or disapprove of s.th.	
I a collection of valuable things such as gold, silver and jewellery	

(Definitions are from <https://dictionary.cambridge.org/> and www.oxfordlearnersdictionaries.com)



Listening

You can find the podcast for this listening comprehension exercise here: https://kut-podcast.streamguys1.com/stories-from-texas/WF-Strong-Frederick-Law-Olmsted-WEB.mp3?siteplayer=true&dl=1&listeningSessionID=0CD_382_105_56adec25e47b8268ea9146782ba704a69f844e5

You will listen to a radio program about Frederick Law Olmsted's journey through early Texas. You will hear the text twice. Read the questions before you start listening. Tick the correct answers. There is only one correct answer to each question.

3. The presenter uses Elon Musk as an example of ...

- a) a visionary inventor.
- b) an innovative author.
- c) a potential time traveler.
- d) a successful business man.

4. Why did Frederick Law Olmsted go to Texas in the 1850s?

- a) to collect wild plants and animals
- b) to look for useful natural resources
- c) to describe the work of the ranchers
- d) to give people an insight into life there

5. What is the presenter's view of Olmsted's book?

- a) He is enthusiastic about it.
- b) He finds it very interesting.
- c) He finds some aspects worth looking at.
- d) He can understand some people's criticism.

6. Why is Olmsted also of national importance?

- a) He later renovated the White House.
- b) He revolutionized farming in the USA.
- c) He became a well-known landscape designer.
- d) He initiated the idea of national parks in the USA.